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FCC ANNOUNCES DEPUTY CHIEF TECHNOLOGIST

Washington, D.C. – The Federal Communications Commission's today announced that Alison Neplokh will serve as Deputy Chief Technologist.

As Deputy Chief Technologist, Ms. Neplokh will work on complex and cross-cutting technical issues, and will be based in the Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis. She will continue in her role as Chief Engineer with the Media Bureau and her leadership role in managing the Downloadable Security Technology Advisory Committee.

"Alison's outstanding skills and deep experience will greatly benefit our office," said Scott Jordan, Chief Technologist at the FCC. "In addition to her continued work in the Media Bureau, she brings to this position an impressive background in electrical and computer engineering and a wealth of experience in telecommunications policy."

Ms. Neplokh has been with the FCC since 2002, primarily working in the Media Bureau on issues including the Incentive Auction, Open Internet, and the DTV transition. In addition to her time in the Media Bureau, Ms. Neplokh served as Acting Legal Advisor to Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel in 2014.

"Alison is a rare combination of a superbly talented engineer, steeped in the technologies of the industries we work with, and a lawyer who can present and explain things clearly and simply to a layperson," said Bill Lake, Chief of the Media Bureau. "She has made immeasurable contributions to the Media Bureau's most challenging projects, including preparations for the upcoming broadcast spectrum incentive auction, and I am delighted that she will now be able to bring her talents to bear on an even broader range of technological issues as Deputy Chief Technologist."

Prior to joining the Commission, Ms. Neplokh worked as a Software Engineer with Ericsson, and as a Research Systems Programmer at Carnegie Mellon University. She received her Juris Doctor from Georgetown University Law Center.

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